

OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Innovation • Partnerships • Safer Neighborhoods



OJP GOALS

- Strengthen partnerships with state, local and tribal stakeholders.
- Ensure integrity of, and respect for, science including a focus on evidence-based, "smart on crime" approaches in criminal and juvenile justice.
- Administer OJP's grant awards process in a fair, accessible and transparent fashion - and, as good stewards of federal funds, manage the grants system in a manner that avoids waste, fraud and abuse.

OJP COMPOSITION

- Led by Assistant Attorney General Karol V. Mason
- OJP is comprised of 5 Bureaus and 1 Program Office:
 - National Institute of Justice
 - Bureau of Justice Assistance
 - Bureau of Justice Statistics
 - Office for Victims of Crime
 - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
 - Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking



<u>BJA</u>

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) provides leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state, and tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities.

BJA's overall goals are to (1) reduce and prevent crime, violence, and drug abuse and (2) improve the functioning of the criminal justice system.

To achieve these goals, BJA programs emphasize enhanced coordination and cooperation between federal, state, and local efforts.

BJS

The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) collects, analyzes, publishes, and disseminates information on crime, criminal offenders, victims of crime, and the operation of justice systems at all levels of government.

These data are critical to federal, state, and local policymakers in combating crime and ensuring that justice is both efficient and evenhanded.



<u>NIJ</u>

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is the research, development, and evaluation agency of OJP.

NIJ provides objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to enhance the administration of justice and public safety.

NIJ solicits grant applications to inform its search for the knowledge and tools to guide policy and practice.

OJJDP

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) provides national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to juvenile delinquency and victimization.

OJJDP supports states and communities in their efforts to develop and implement effective and coordinated prevention and intervention programs and to improve the juvenile justice system so that it protects public safety, holds offenders accountable, and provides treatment and rehabilitative services tailored to the needs of juveniles and their families.



<u>OVC</u>

OJP's Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) works to enhance the Nation's capacity to assist crime victims and to provide leadership in changing attitudes, policies, and practices to promote justice and healing for all victims.

SMART

The mission of the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART) is to assure that convicted sex offenders are prohibited from preying on citizens through a system of appropriate restrictions, regulations, and internment.

The SMART Office provides guidance to states, local governments, and tribal governments on the implementation of the Adam Walsh Act.

The office is also responsible for providing related grants and technical assistance.

OJP PROGRAM PLAN

The Program Plan outlines pending grant funding opportunities (solicitations) that were awarded based on Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 appropriations. This information is likely to change for FY16 but will assist you in your planning for FY16 funding.

- OJP has issued this Program Plan
 http://data.ojp.gov/services/PPI/includes/ppi/Home.htm?Year=2015
 to give constituent groups a single comprehensive guide to current funding opportunities and the latest agency initiatives. The Program Plan includes both competitive and noncompetitive grants, opportunities for training and technical assistance, and other resources available to the justice community.
- Programs of interest to HBCUs predominantly include research and program grants from the National Institute of Justice to study a variety of criminal justice issues, and the Bureau of Justice Statistics. Click this link to see all FY15 funding available to institution of higher education. http://data.ojp.gov/services/PPI/includes/ppi/Solicitations.htm?Year=2015
- In FY 2015, OJP awarded over 3 billion dollars in funding. In accordance with the Obama Administration's efforts to increase federal government transparency, OJP posted a list of all awards at http://ojp.gov/archives/solicitations/solicitations_15.htm_{P.GOV}

OJP PROGRAMS

- Visiting Fellows: Criminal Justice Statistics Program
- W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship for Research in Race, Gender, Culture and Crime
- Building and Enhancing Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships
- Ph.D. Graduate Research Fellowship Program
- Graduate Research Fellowship in S.T.E.M
- Supporting the Role of Law Enforcement in Juvenile Justice Reform

- Research and Evaluation on Children Exposed to Violence
- Postdoctoral Fellowship: Dating Abuse Among Adolescents and Young Adults
- Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes.
- Training and Technical Assistance to Support State Implementation of Juvenile Justice Reform
- Studies Program on At-Risk or System Involved Girls
- Bridging Research and Practice Project to Advance Juvenile Justice and Safety

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TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- Webinars
- Conferences
- Podcasts
- Direct web-based assistance
- Resource tool-kits/guidelines
- Publications (web access)

OJP GRANTS 101

- OJP Grants 101 is now available on the OJP website at www.ojp.gov/grants101
- This is a new online resource for prospective grantees. *OJP Grants* 101 features step-by-step guidance on how to apply for funding.
- *OJP Grants 101* provides:
 - an overview of the OJP grant process for competitive and noncompetitive programs
 - Tips on how to find funding opportunities and write strong applications
 - A description of the application review process; and
 - Links to other resources, including the OJP Financial Guide and sample application materials.

HOW TO APPLY

- Step 1. Get a DUNS Number
- All applications for federal funds must include a DUNS number (Data Universal Numbering System, from Dun & Bradstreet) at <u>www.ojp.gov/grants101/getregistered/htm</u>
- Determine if your jurisdiction or agency already has a DUNS number by using the Dun & Bradstreet search option. If you don't have a DUNS number, you can apply for one online (www.dnb.com).
- Although you generally receive your DUNS number on the same day you apply for it, apply early; you cannot complete any of the remaining steps without it.
- Step 2. Acquire or Renew Registration with System for Award Management (SAM)
- Every applicant for OJP funding must also be registered with the System for Award Management (SAM). The person registering with SAM will be the designated E-Business Point of Contact, who can assign the people who will submit applications for the organization (your Authorized Organization Representatives).
- You must have a DUNS number to submit a SAM registration. In addition, you must renew your SAM registration once a year.
- Note that these tasks can take several days to a week to complete, so do not delay.

HOW TO APPLY (cont'd)

- Step 3: Register With GMS or Grants.gov
- Applications for OJP funding opportunities are either submitted through the Grants Management System (GMS) or Grants.gov; both systems require registration, and it can take anywhere from a few days to 2 weeks for your registration to become active and for you to be able to submit an application.
- It is not necessary to re-register if you already have user IDs and passwords for the Grants.gov systems. Check early, however, to ensure that your ID and password are active. If an applicant has a GMS profile, they do not need to create a second profile to submit an application in GMS. Applicants will be able to use the same ID and password to enter into GMS. Applicants must also register for each solicitation by clicking on the solicitation for which they are interested in applying. An applicant applying in GMS is registered once they have an application number.

APPLICATION TIPS

- Start early
- Comprehensive, Coordinated, Collaborative
- Innovative
- Evidence Based
- Partnerships

OJP RESOURCES

CRIMESOLUTIONS.GOV

- On CrimeSolutions.gov you will find:
- Research on the effectiveness of programs and practices as reviewed and rated by Expert Reviewers
 - Easily understandable ratings based on the evidence that indicates whether a program or practice achieves its goals: (Program Review and Rating from Start to Finish and Practice Review and Rating from Start to Finish)
 - Effective
 - Promising
 - No Effects
- Profiles of programs and practices with research findings

HBCU PARTNERSHIPS

- Peer Reviewers
- Interns
- Apply for Competitive Awards
- Invite OJP staff to participate in relevant forums/events

How to Access to BJS and NIJ Data

- <u>WWW.BJS.GOV</u> and <u>WWW.NIJ.GOV</u>
- Statistics
- Reports
- Publications
- Trainings
- Subscriptions

WHERE TO GO FOR GRANTS AND INFORMATION:

www.grants.gov www.ojp.gov www.ojp.gov/funding



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